



United States District Court
Northern District of Illinois, Eastern Division
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Chief Judge Castillo and Presiding Magistrate Judge Valdez Deliver Remarks on History and Cases Surrounding Voting Rights Act



September 25, 2017- Chief Judge Rubén Castillo and Presiding Magistrate Judge Maria Valdez spoke at the inaugural seminar of a multi-part continuing legal education series on voting rights. “The History of the Voting Rights Act (VRA) in the Seventh Circuit” was sponsored by the Seventh Circuit Bar Association and presented by the Seventh Circuit Bar Association Diversity and Inclusion Committee. The seminar addressed the historical background of voting in the U.S. that led to the passage of the VRA, current trends in the Seventh Circuit, and specific cases and issues surrounding VRA litigation in the Seventh Circuit. Other speakers included Judge Lynn Adelman, U.S. District Court for the Eastern District of Wisconsin, and Jeffrey Cummings, Miner, Barnhill & Galland, P.C.